

## STOCK NEWS

### LOCAL MARKET

Old Corn	75, 80
Oats	46c, 48c
Wheat	\$1.85

Chicago	May	July
Wheat	\$1.69	\$1.64
Corn	74 1/2	75 1/2
Oats	49	48

**St. Louis Cash:**  
No. 1 Red Wheat \$2.10 to \$2.11  
No. 2 Yellow Corn 74  
No. 3 White Oats 48 1/2 to 49  
**St. Louis Stock Yards:**  
Hogs 18,000 15c to 25c lower  
Top \$10.00  
Cattle 3,500 Steady  
Sheep 3,100 Lower

**STURGEON, Mo., January 1.**—Gov. Frederick D. Gardner, State Coal Oil Inspector Omar D. Gray and about a dozen other men who are interested in "The Farm of the Big Meadows," in Shelby County, stand to lose a large amount of money when they market a lot of cattle and hogs now on feed at the farm. At present 500 head of hogs and 320 steers are on feed and they are about fat. Eleven hundred acres of corn was raised on the farm this year which consists of 2000 acres and cost the buyers \$200,000.

What is thought to be the largest hog in Audrain County is owned by Thad Boulware and Son, of Moline. He is a Poland-China King Joe hog past three years old, weighing nine hundred pounds. They are expecting him to weigh fully a thousand pounds when ready to be butchered.

Stock feeders tell us that the present warm weather is a god-send to them as it has been saving thousands of dollars' worth of feed to many who have large numbers of low priced cattle on hand.

For the first time since the stock sales were established in Fulton nearly fifty years ago, there were no mules there to be sold. Ordinarily, the streets are filled with mules on the January stock sales day. It is said that there would be no sale for the mules had there been any on sale.

Horace Mundy is in Maryville, Mo., attending a meeting of the Standard Poland China Record Association. Mr. Mundy is a stockholder in the association.

Ashby Botts, of Audrain County, had a load of cattle on the St. Louis market Monday.

## Short Course Speakers Lecture at McM

A definite program for the agriculture short course speakers at McMullan High School Wednesday and Thursday has been arranged by A. Gorrel, head of the short course classes conducted this winter in Mexico and Benton City.

H. S. Mobley, one of the speakers, who is a practical farmer of many years experience and is a leader among community builders, talked Wednesday afternoon on the subject "Corn," and on "Poultry," showing pictures to illustrate his points, and to bring more clearly to the mind just what he meant. The pictures were of corn and poultry production, and of the best methods of handling both. Mrs. Ada F. Howie, the other speaker, gave a talk on "Making the Farm Home Comfortable and Attractive." In connection with this, she showed pictures showing the conveniences and inconveniences of farm life. Her lecture was highly instructive, and showed just what can be done with the farm home to improve it with little expense.

In his lecture Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Mobley also told of community development, and showed pictures of what can be done in the way of community development.

Wednesday night, at 7:30 o'clock, a talk will be made by Mr. Motley on soil and soil fertility, on milk and sheep production, showing pictures of the important points in sheep raising which are said to be the most interesting live stock rearing that have been taken, and pictures of milk production, showing the value of milk and how to produce and use it.

The reels and speakers are furnished by the agricultural extension department of the International Harvester Company.

William Lock and wife have moved to Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to reside. The Ledger joins other Audrain friends in wishing them continued prosperity in their new home.

**House Slightly Damaged.**  
The home of J. A. Forgy on South Olive street caught fire Wednesday morning. Very little damage was done.

Mrs. Catherine Cray, of Iowa, at the guest of her niece, at the Golden home in this city.

Mrs. F. M. Busby of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. M. Richards.

T. P. Pew of Laddonia was in Mexico on business the first of the week.

## MOVIE NEWS



Margarita Fisher's new thriller, "The Gamblers," will have its release soon. This is a big soul-stirring drama in six acts, opening in a Nevada mining town and ending amid lavish scenes in the East—a thrilling play of chance and love's law.

Despite the hundred of players in Los Angeles, there is a dearth of competent artists, particularly leading women, according to Clifford Robertson, casting director for Goldwyn at Culver City.

In "Guile for Women," his latest film, Will Rogers is seen as a Swedish sailor adrift in San Francisco. Mary Warren, Lionel Barimore and others are in the supporting cast.

"The Song of the Soul," from William J. Locke's story, "An Old World Romance," starring Vivian Martin, has been in heavy demand. Fritz Eliber, the Shakespearean actor, who appears with Miss Martin, received most favorable notices.

Wyandham Standing has returned to New York from a year in Los Angeles, after having completed "Earthbound." He is now completing a Caspian production, "The Bride's Play," by Donn Byrne.

Dorothy Dalton is back again in the role of a daughter of the Northwest, the type of character that she played in "The Flame of the Yukon." She is to be seen soon in "The Teaser," a story of the Canadian Northwest.

**New Lines of Work.**  
COLUMBIA, Mo., Jan. 5.—That Missouri's good roads program, approved by the voters on November 2, will open a valuable and important line of work for properly trained foremen and supervisors is apparent according to a letter sent out from the School of Engineering of the University of Missouri to the county courts of the state and to the members of the Missouri legislature.

In keeping with its policy of service to the state the School of Engineering has established a course for the training of highway construction foremen and supervisors. This course will run for eight weeks, beginning January 3. Any young man with a common school education will be able to carry on the work involved in this course.

The equipment of the School of Engineering will be placed at the disposal of these new students. In addition the locating of the University provides good opportunities for the study of road problems. The direction of the course is in the hands of Prof. R. W. Selvidge, University Shops, Columbia, Mo. The University has published a folder describing the work which will be sent upon request.

Miss Ellen Carter left, Wednesday, for St. Louis for an extended visit. While absent she will take a course in Red Cross work.

Miss Natalie Friedman of Martinsburg spent the day here Tuesday.

## GUMPHYS GOES AFTER COURT FOR VERDICT

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 5.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, attacked the decision of the United States Supreme Court Monday relative to the so-called secondary boycott in a formal statement here last night, and asserted the court has "joined forces with the antiunion shop movement."

The statement characterized the decision as a "blow at the movement for human freedom and progress," and declared it is "thoroughly in accord with the most ardent wishes of predatory greed."

The court held that labor unions or their members are accountable under the antitrust laws where they depart from their normal and legitimate objects and engage in an actual combination or conspiracy in restraint of trade.

## State Gives Report On Missouri Alms Houses for 1921

The population of the county almshouses of Missouri changed but little in 1920 according to a report just issued in Jefferson City. The figures show 1667 inmates in the 63 county almshouses in 1920.

The Caldwell County almshouse will close the year without an inmate, although there were 12 at the beginning of 1920 and three received during the year. This is the only county, that lost all of its almshouse inmates during 1920. Most of the losses of inmates are by death the report states.

The report shows Audrain has five inmates, which is the least of any county except Monroe with three and Caldwell county.

Ben Phillip, a prominent attorney of St. Joseph and one of Missouri's leading lawyers, was in this city Wednesday the guests of his brothers, Si and Nate Phillip and his sister, Mrs. I. Silverstein. Mr. Phillip is one of Mexico's boys who has left home and made good in a big way in a larger field.

**Buys News Stand.**  
Joe Williams has purchased the news stand and business of A. T. Ankrom and within a few days will have it established in Marlow & Cox's drug store.

Mrs. R. L. Gooch left Friday for St. Louis, where she will be the guest of friends and relatives.

Mrs. Richard Campbell of Ansley, Neb., and Mrs. W. T. Dawson of Fulton are visiting their sister, Mrs. John Sullivan.

## FARMERS EXCHANGE

RATES—10 cents a line an insertion. A line consists of 5 words.

**FOR SALE**—My home. Modern, with furnace. E. P. Wenzel, 702 S. Clark.

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**FOR SALE**—6 room house on 4 lots; good living well; good out buildings; fruit trees. J. A. COX, Benton City, Mo. 45-tf

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**FOR SALE**—Suburban home, 4 lots, 4 room bungalow with lights, barn, hen house, coal house, fine living well. All built new in past year, 709 S. Morris street, Mexico, Mo. J. W. FREEMAN. wlt 2-2tp

**FOR SALE**—Two good land hogs. A. M. GORRELL, Route 2, Molino, Mo. Mutual phone. wlt-p

## HAS 101ST BIRTHDAY

Saturday, December 25, was the 101st anniversary of Mrs. Permelia Coons of Altamont, Kan. A birthday cake, baked by a niece of Mrs. Coons, was on exhibition at the home of her son J. T. Coons of San Jose, Cal., who is 76 years old. The cake was sent to Mrs. Coons at her home in Kansas. Mrs. Coons is well known in Mexico, having visited relatives here. There were 101 candles on the cake.

Mrs. Coons was born in Parks County, Ky., December 25, 1819. Her son is her only surviving child, her daughter having died at the age of 78 years. She gets around unassisted, and is remarkably strong for one her age.

Mrs. H. F. Winsott, of Roodhouse, Ill., has returned to her home after spending Christmas here with Mrs. Ed Mitchell.

Mrs. M. E. Gilbert returned home Tuesday after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clay McGregor, of Fulton.

## HEMSTITCHING

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Sacrifice sale on everything. You can't afford to miss this chance.

Business machinery sold for future delivery at 20 per cent cash advance when the goods. You will sure save 10 to 30 per cent. This is your opportunity.

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## New Year's Resolutions That Are And Are Not Kept

About the time the old year passes away and the new born year comes into view almost everyone, rich, poor and those otherwise financially situated make a bunch of New Year's resolutions. This used to be quite the thing, but the last few years, some people have stopped this practice, owing to the fact that few of the resolutions are kept anyway, and there is no use in wasting brain power.

Still, there are enough people making resolutions, from force of habit no doubt, to keep the practice alive and healthy. The most common or garden variety of resolutions, and those broken most easily are about saving money, quitting the use of tobacco in any form, getting to work on time, etc., etc. The resolution of keeping on the water wagon, which used to rank foremost in the list of resolutions broken after the second or third day of the year, has become almost extinct, because there isn't any other kind of wagon to be on for most people now, even though lemon extract is still sold in grocery stores.

All the resolutions kept now-a-days are those things that would be done anyway, the only reason for their being called resolutions is to make people feel in their own minds and give them something to pity themselves for, or to tell about at a meeting of a mutual admiration society or a similar organizations.

**An Odd Prescription.**  
Sam Morris has not been feeling well for some time and has been complaining of his stomach when he sat down. Finally he called on a physician and explained his condition. The doctor wrote a prescription and told him to take it to a clothing store. "You mean Drug Store," said Mr. Morris. "No, clothing store," said the physician. On looking at the prescription Mr. Morris found it read: "Take his belt away from him and sell him a pair of suspenders." We are glad to say Mr. Morris feels much improved since the change.

## CIRCUIT COURT

Thirteen Cases Filed up to Date For March Term of Circuit Court.

The following cases have been filed in the circuit court to be tried at the March term:

United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company against Charles Harrison on bond.

Agnes (Wilson) Oppers et al against Polly Wilson et al on partition.

W. R. Buckner against John Barton Payne, agent, for damages.

William S. Doolin against Alfred Larsen, for specific performance.

T. H. Hess against B. F. Cowherd for change of venue.

In the matter of Agnes (Wilson) Oppers et al ex-parte on partition.

Alfred Johnson against Mattie Johnson for divorce.

Lydia Clapper against J. S. Clapper for divorce.

H. L. Pearson against unknown heirs of Amos Ladd et al for perfect title.

William H. Massey et al against Elsie Massey for partition.

State of Missouri against J. H. Stanton.

State of Missouri against Dennis Works.

D. M. Slonaker, who was elected justice of the peace in the November election, sent in his resignation to the county court January 3. George Clark, justice of the peace since May, 1920, is circulating a petition for the office again.

Judge Murphy of Nevada, a former resident of Mexico, was in town today on business.

Gilbert Garrett returned home Tuesday after visiting his mother, Mrs. J. C. Garrett for a few days.

## DECISION AFFIRMED

In the November term of 1918, the case of William Caldwell and Robert Crum against Rebe Caldwell et al was tried to set aside the will of Rufus Caldwell, a wealthy and prominent farmer of Audrain County. The finding then was that the paper supposed to be the will of Rufus Caldwell was not his last will, and was declared to be null and void by the court.

The case was appealed to the supreme court, and a few days ago, the decision of the circuit court here was affirmed.

## COUNTY COURT

During the session of the county court Tuesday settlement was taken up and made with the county assessor and bond approved Wednesday, the matter of the settlement with the county treasurer was taken up.

Petitions were presented Tuesday, asking that roads in Audrain County be relocated, and were signed by about twenty tax-payers. The first petition asked for the moving of a road west of Mexico. This road, which is near Thompson, is said to be washed out until it is almost impassable. The second petition asked that certain curves in the old Perry road northeast of Mexico be straightened.

## IS INJURED

Mrs. Laura Hoagland, principal of the South Side School, was injured Tuesday evening, when she fell while taking down some of the decorations at the school. One rib is broken, and there were other minor injuries. Mrs. Hoagland's physician said that she will be able to be out again in a short time.

Dr. Smith, an internal medicine specialist, of St. Louis, was here Tuesday to see Mrs. J. W. Gallaher and we are glad to state that he found her doing nicely.

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